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Deployment along Indo-Pak Border
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Border Security Force has submitted a detailed report to the Government stating that there is no evidence of infiltration along the International Border for the attack on Pathankot airbase recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to deploy more forces and strengthen security at riverine patches at the Indo-Pak border to meet the shortage/lapses in border security; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b): The Border Security Force (BSF) has informed that nothing has so far come to the notice to conclude any route adopted by the terrorists through the Area of Responsibility (AOR). However, the National Investigation Agency (NIA), which is investigating the terror attack on Pathankot Airbase, has informed that the terrorists had infiltrated from Pakistan side crossing the border.
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The exact mode and route taken by them are still under investigation.

(c) & (d): The following steps have been taken to strengthen security at the Indo-Pakistan border to meet the shortage/lapses in border security:

i. In order to strengthen border domination, one more Battalion has been inducted in Gurdaspur sector on Punjab Border.
ii. One pilot project for deploying technological solutions in 2 patches of 5-6 kilometers of riverine gaps and sensitive areas of Jammu Frontier has been sanctioned.
iii. Introduction of Force Multipliers and Hi-tech surveillance equipment's to reduce stress level of troops and to enhance the surveillance of border.
iv. Upgradation of Intelligence Network and coordination.
v. Conduct of special operations along the Border and in-depth areas.
vi. Review of vulnerability mapping of BOPs along Indo Pak Border from time to time.

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vii. Approval of four Pilot Projects of approx 30-40 kilometers each in different terrains and sensitive riverine gaps in Jammu, Punjab, Gujarat and West Bengal States.
viii. Forty five more laser / IR Intrusion detection system are being fabricated and being installed in Punjab (eight have already been fabricated and installed).
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